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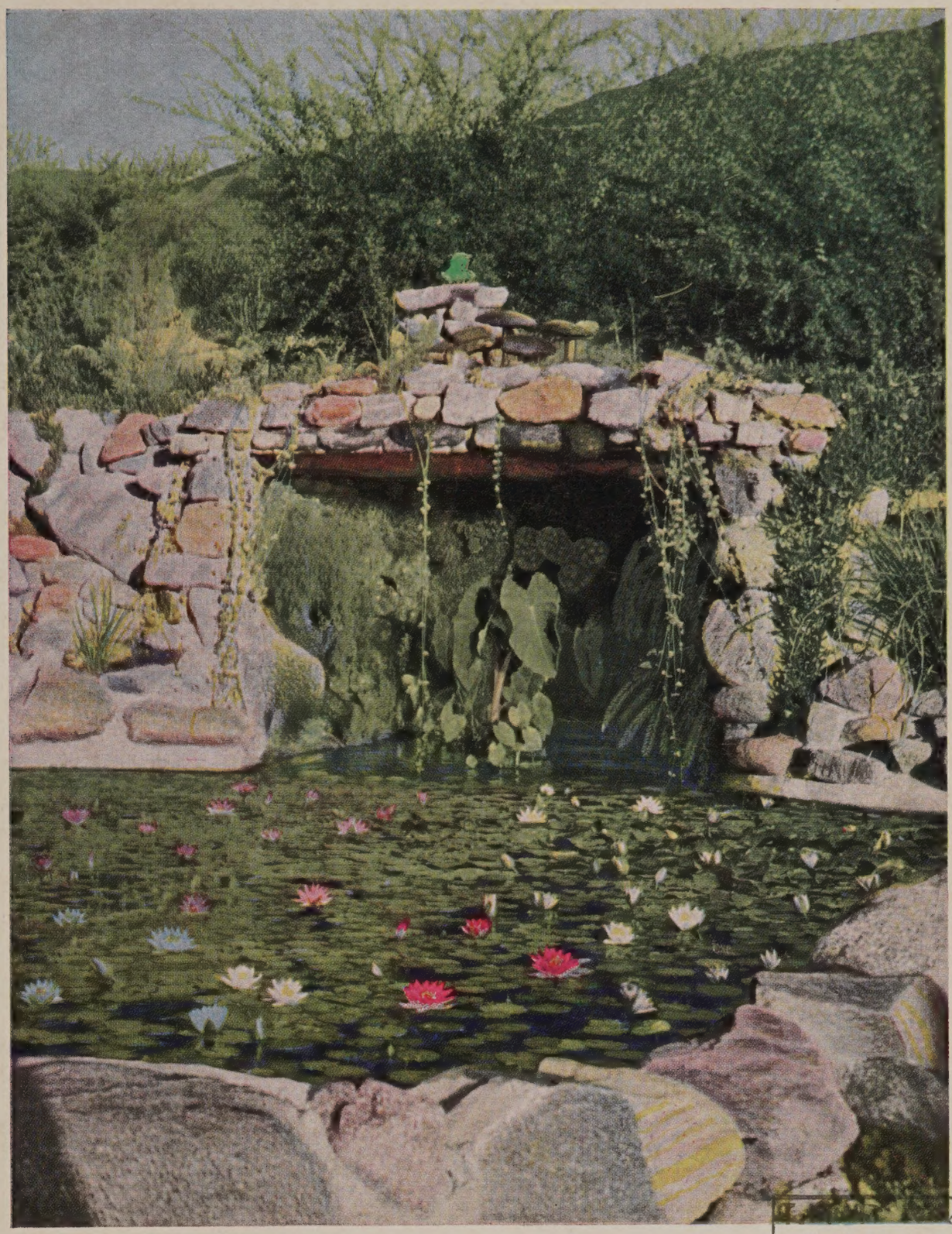

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POOL AND GROTTO AT ENTRANCE OF

VAN NESS WATER GARDENS

Established in 1932. Finest, largest, and most beautiful Water Gardens West of St. Louis

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Planting time is all the time IN CALIFORNIA

Dear Friends:

The VAN NESS WATER GARDENS is ideally located for the raising of the finest water plants available. Practically every plant we ship is propagated at our Gardens. Our plants are harvested fresh and shipped directly to you. We strive to give you the most improved methods of shipping, the best possible products and the fastest services possible.

We are happy to place in your hands our new 1961 catalogue with many new colored cuts to make it easier for you to make a better selection of your lilies.

Do hope you will join our family of friends and give us an opportunity to serve you to the best of our ability.

Sincerely,
Ted and Louella Uber

P.S. We shipped orders to Austria, New Zealand, Thailand, Puerto Rico, Mexico, Guatemala, Hong Kong, Canada, Alaska, Hawaii and all over continental United States in 1960.

Dear Sirs:

You may be interested to know that we are making this purchase from you because of a single white lily we planted of yours four years ago in a wash tub and which persists in blooming profusely each year, including this year more than before, in spite of sub-zero winters and complete lack of protection in any way during those winters.

Sincerely,
P. A. Lanphear, Jr.
Westerly, Rhode Island

Gentlemen:

The order of lilies and plants, mailed the first, arrived today in what I consider excellent condition. Having the lilies arrive with plenty of buds and even open blooms was a thrill. I especially appreciated receiving the Mrs. Pring as a gift. I didn't expect a gift since my order certainly didn't arrive by May 1st, so it was a very pleasant surprise.

Thanks again,
C. I. Isom
Plant City, Florida

Dear Sirs:

Thursday, I received my shipment and I was very pleased with the order. In fact, your plant materials were in better shape than any order I have ever received.

Sincerely,
J. W. Lambert
Rimlap, Alabama

Dear Mr. Uber:

Saturday, our order of plants and snails arrived. I can say without reservation that the plants sent to us far exceed anything we have ever received. We are very well satisfied, and I shall refer to your establishment.

Thank you for the excellent plants.

Cordially,
Dr. G. E. Jorgenson
Clermont, Iowa

Gentlemen:

I received my tropical water lilies in excellent condition. Was thrilled beyond words. I have already begun to enlarge the pool.

Thanking you again,
Theda Hodges
Bluefield, W. Va.

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Uber:

I would like to express my appreciation and thanks for the enclosed gift lily. It is a strong lily with a beautiful root system. It is such a pleasure to deal with you people.

Sincerely,
L. Arnold
North Castine, Maine

Gentlemen:

Thank you very much for the manner in which you handled my order. I am completely satisfied with your judgment in this matter. Plants arrived yesterday by airmail, were planted immediately, and this morning are in perfect condition, leaves floating on top of water as though they had always grown there. Please keep me on your mailing list.

Very truly yours,
Frank J. Ball
Pittsburgh 17, Penna.

Dear Sirs:

The hardy lilies have again begun to bloom with blossoms nearly twice the size and quantity of last year—very beautiful.

Thank you,
James M. LaRue
Baltimore, Md.

Gentlemen:

It does give me a great pleasure in writing this letter to you to tell you how beautiful the water lilies are blooming that I purchased from you in May. Even the little Pennsylvania lily that you sold to me and told me that if it should not grow, since you took it from the beds rather than the hot house, I should let you know. This little lily that you sold to me the latter part of May is now a nice healthy plant with gorgeous blooms. Every lily you sold is in full bloom for me.

Sincerely,
Mrs. S. E. Kitson
Hesperia, Calif.

Dear Mr. Uber:

I wish to thank you for the nice plants I received from you. I had good luck with my pond as I followed your advice all the way through.

I can highly recommend your plants to any one who wants the best.

Thanks,
H. D. Christie
Elroy, Ariz.

Dear Mrs. Uber:

I'm so thrilled with the lilies this year. The Mrs. Whitaker is the first to open and the last to close along with the Paul Hariot. Those two really put in a full day. The Mrs. Whitaker stays open until seven o'clock. The yellow Chromatella has done well too, real big blooms and stands far out of the water at times and is so gay. All our colors were in bloom the last two days—really a beautiful sight.

Sincerely,
Marjorie Appy
Las Vegas, Nevada

Gentlemen:

We received our air-mail order two days after it was sent out. Everything was in excellent condition. Within two days one of the lilies was in bloom and a week later a second one opened.

Thank you for your service and attention.

Thank you,
Mrs. E. H. Crawley, Jr.
Ponce, Puerto Rico

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HARDY WATER LILIES

(Check page 19 for planting code)

Have you ever noticed that, no difference what the beauty of the garden may be, in harmony of planting, in beauty of landscaping, the visitor drifts to the Water Lily Pool and there finds a sanctuary, a place where one can forget the trials of everyday life and find the charm and solace that only exquisite beauty can bestow.

SO EASY TO GROW

Hardy lilies will grow anywhere, if they have sun. They do well in areas where it is foggy, such as San Francisco, if the pool is in the full sun and no shade. We ship many hardy and tropical lilies to Canada and Alaska.

You may have a real beauty spot by making a Tub garden. See page 8.

HARDY LILIES

PERFECT SPECIMENS

The Hardy lilies are among the easiest grown of any flower. After planting they need no attention except to keep the water level right and break off dead leaves. They grow in a wonderful array of colors and shapes and are a constant joy to all who grow them.

California Water lilies have the advantage of our long warm summers and put on a marvelous growth during this period, assuring you of strong plants, which will burst into bloom soon after being planted in your pool. The many letters from our customers telling us of this fact make us very happy, and we assure you nothing goes out from our Nursery that we would not be happy to receive.

We have the choicest of the varieties which we are offering at very attractive prices.

We are sold 100% on Water Lilies. OUR FIRST concern is to supply you with such fine specimens you will not only be sold too, but will sell your friends also.

All Hardy lilies are large, mature plants.

PINK VARIETIES

Formosa (L EB A) One of the best, blooming soon after planting and never without blossoms during the whole season. Blossoms are large and a clear, bright pink. A much admired lily. **$3.75.**

Wilfron Gonnere (M GB A) Very double pink lily, resembling Gonnere in size and shape. **$4.00.**

Mme. Julien Chifflot (L EB A) A mammoth star-shaped lily, with soft pink petals and yellow stamens. One of the most beautiful of the pink Hardies. **$4.50.**

Rene Gerard (L EB A) The flowers of this variety often reach the enormous size of 10 inches across and are a deep rose in color. The petals are very numerous and the flower is star shaped. **$5.00.**

Splendida (L EB A) A rich, strawberry pink lily; blooming the entire season. Becomes darker towards fall, becoming almost a deep red. **$4.00.**

Somptuosa (L EB A) An excellent rose-pink Hardy lily. Free bloomer. **$4.00.**

M. Rose (L EB A) A large deep rose colored lily of an excellent variety. **$2.75.**

Lustrous (L EB A) A new rose-pink with silvery sheen and yellow stamens for contrast Fine bloomer. **$4.00.**

Leviathan (L EB A) Odorata type lily. Very large shell pink with large leaves of green. **$5.00.**

M. Carnea (L GB A) Opening early in the morning, this lily is of wonderful size, is a soft shell pink. Blooms over a long period, the flowers of good lasting quality, making them good for cut flowers. **$2.50.**

Masaniello (L EB A) The flowers of this variety are very fragrant; the plant is a free grower. The flowers are a rose pink and the sepals are white, making a wonderful contrast. **$3.50.**

Morning Glory (L EB A) An exquisite soft shell-pink lily. Particularly beautiful as they first open in the morning, being so waxy in appearance. **$3.00.**

Esmeraldo (M GB B) A French variety. The flowers are variegated, rose pink and white. The petals are star shaped, and the sepals are also variegated. **$3.00.**

Pink Glory (L EB A) A beautiful, new pink lily. Very waxy in appearance and proclaimed the most beautiful of all the shell pink Hardy lilies. **$5.00.**

Mary Patricia (S EB B) The daintiest deep peach blossom pink lily imaginable, one that is especially generous in bloom. Is especially good for Tub gardens. **$3.50.**

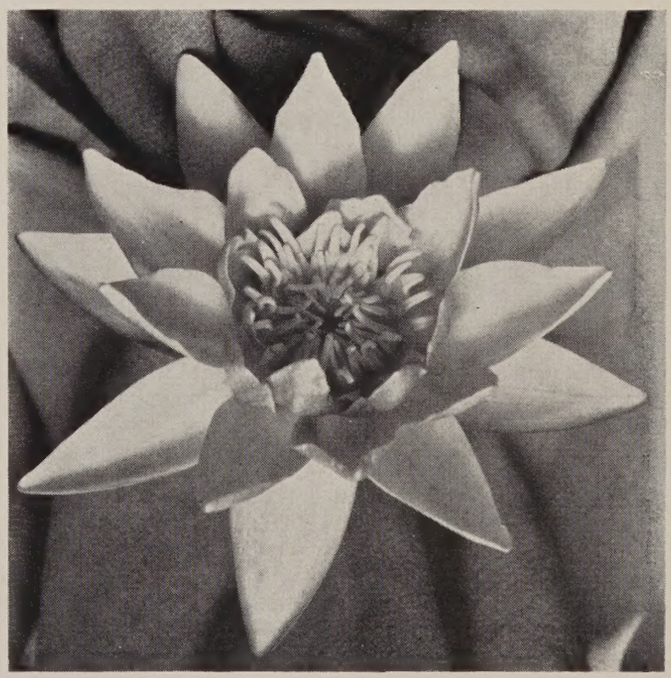
Joanne Pring (S EB B) An excellent pgymaea of rich deep pink. **$3.50.**

Rosy Morn (L EB A) A beautiful rosette pink lily with a true water lily fragrance. Very large blossoms with spreading petals. **$4.50.**

Mrs. Richmond (L EB A) A rare variety of singular beauty. Very large flowers of deep rose with lilac tints; petals broad and full; stamens a delicate canary yellow. A rare variety. **$6.00.**

Neptune (L EB A) The velvety blossoms are a shaded pink, the base of petals quite dark and the tips much lighter in shade. Garnet stamens make a striking contrast. **$3.50.**

Amabilis (L EB A T) This lily is very similar to the Mme. Chifflot, being star-shaped, but is a larger lily. The bright pink blossoms are hard to describe for beauty. **$4.00.**



Amabilis

Hardy Water Lilies (continued)

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Chromatella, Gloriosa, M. Albida. Coll. #30

Carmine Laydeker (S EB C) Pygmae lily. A lovely carmine colored, free blooming dwarf lily. A very choice variety, for small pools or tubs. **$3.50.**

Pink Laydeker (S EB C) Pygmae lily. A very dwarf lily with exquisite pink blossoms the size of dollars. Excellent bloomer. A real jewel. **$3.50.**

Rosanna Supreme by Mr. Martin E. Randig **(L EB A)** A large double rose-pink tulip shaped lily with a big yellow center and outer pink petals having white tips. Flowers 8" to 10" across. Heavy grower and excellent bloomer. Good for lakes. **$5.00.**

PINK (Odorata—Very Fragrant)

Rose Arey (M EB B) The blossoms are a bright, cerise pink, having pointed petals with a noticeable curl, giving a pleasing shaded effect. A sweet scented lily; leaves have a reddish cast. **$3.25.** A remarkable lily.

Pink Opal (S GB B) A deep, rich pink lily with buds that are almost round, and open into a flower that is cup shaped. **$2.50.**

Venusta (M EB B) The flowers are of a good size with a charming cup shape, standing above the water. The most spicy fragrance of any of the odoratas. **$3.50.**

Eugenie de Land (M GB B) A charming, sweet scented variety, with soft shell pink petals which are pointed. **$3.00.**

Gloire de Temple-Sur-Lot (M GB B) Very double lily resembling an immense dahlia in form. Opens a soft shell pink. **$5.00.**

Odalisque (M GB B) An intensely fragrant, deep cerise pink, which opens earlier than almost any other lily. **$4.00.**

Fire Crest (S GB B) A flame colored Odorata lily, blooming very early in the Spring. **$4.00.**

SUNSET VARIETIES

Comanche (L EB A) An old favorite. Brilliant orange-red, the color deepens with age; becoming a warm red. A sturdy growing variety but will adapt itself to a small space. Has bloomed steadily for 10 months in our gardens. **$4.00.**

Paul Hariot (M EB B) This lily is most pleasing, as the first day of opening the petals are a soft, yellowish pink, becoming darker each day to almost a deep red. **$3.00.**

Indiana (S GB C) A free growing variety, bearing beautiful copper-yellow flowers tinged with pink. **$2.50.**

Chrysantha (S GB C) A fine variety for the Tub garden as the leaf spread is small. The flowers open a soft yellow which deepens with age to almost vermillion. **$3.00.**

Aurora (S GB C) A very changeable colored lily. Does not grow large, so is suitable for small pools. **$2.50.**

Solfatare (M EB B) Opens the first day an orange-yellow. During third and fourth days the blossoms become reddish-copper. **$3.50.**

Seignoureti (L EB A) A gorgeous colored lily, but propagates so slowly it will not become common. One of the finest, freest blooming lilies grown, with bright orange-yellow flowers. **$7.50.**

Robinsoni (L EB A) This is an old favorite with water gardeners. Flowers are a bright coppery-red with orange stamens. It is a constant bloomer with beautiful variegated foliage. **$3.25.**

Sioux (M EB B) Rich chrome-yellow upon opening, inner petals tinged with broonze. Changes to deep orange tinged with copper-red. Unique colored lily. **$5.00.**

Pygmae Helvola, Aurora, M. Red, Hermine, Joanne Pring. Coll. #95

Hardy Water Lilies (continued)

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WHITE

Gonnere (M FB B) The showiest of all white lilies. An enormous globe of snowy whiteness, nestling among green pads. A free blooming variety with small leaf spread. **$3.50.**

Albatross (L EB A) A snow-white lily with many petals. Very large and very beautiful. **$4.50.**

Richardsoni (L EB A) A large snow-white blossom with golden yellow stamens. Excellent for large pools or lakes. **$4.00.**

M Albida (L EB A) Large dazzling white blossoms, with yellow stamens. The sepals are pink. **$2.50.**

Gladstone (L EB A) A fine lily of robust growth. The flowers are of purest white, cup shaped and very large. **$3.00.**

Hermine (S EB B) A dainty little white lily. The blossoms snuggle among the pads and are star-shaped. **$2.50.**

White Laydeker (S EB C) A very pretty dwarf lily. Snow white with yellow center. Has a strong tea fragrance. **$3.50.**

Virginalis (L EB A) The purest white and finest of all water lilies. A splendid bloomer over a long season, 2 months longer than any other lily. Will never be common as it multiplies very slowly. One of the best. **$7.50.**

YELLOW

Chromatella (M EB A) (M yellow.) Bright yellow blossoms with broad curving petals. A good bloomer. The leaves are handsomely blotched and the plant a vigorous grower. **$3.00.**

Moorei (M EB A) A new lily from Australia, deeper in color than Chromatella. A choice plant with large blossoms and showy leaves. **$4.00.**

Pygmaea Helvola (S EB C) This lily has small yellow flowers that float on the surface of the water, are about 2 inches in diameter. Leaves beautifully mottled. A free bloomer and well adapted to Tub garden culture. **$2.00.**

Mexicana (S FB C) A little beauty from Mexico. **$2.75.**

Sunrise (L EB A) This magnificent lily with its canary yellow blossoms stands well above the water on graceful stems; the petals are crinkled like a chrysanthemum. **$3.75.**

Sunrise, Gonnere, Gloriosa. Coll. #9

Sunrise, Formosa, Comanche, Escarboucle, Gonnere. Coll. #94

RED

Escarboucle (L EB A) One of the most brilliant red lilies. Bright intense red, deepening into crimson. One of the best. **$4.50.**

Gloriosa (M EB B) All that its name implies. The flowers are above the average size. One of the earliest to bloom and continues all summer. One of the choicest of them all. **$3.25.**

M Red (M EB B) Flowers of a deep carmine red, with cardinal stamens. The leaves are a rich bronze, changing to dark green with age. **$3.75.**

James Brydon (M GB B) The color is a rich rosy crimson, while the reverse of the petals has a silvery sheen. This variety will adapt itself to any sized pool. **$3.75.**

Attraction (L EB A) This lily is truly an attraction to any pool. The petals are a garnet red, the sepals white and the stamens a rich mahogany. Cannot be fully described. **$4.00.**

Newton (L EB A) Very large, star-shaped flowers, almost vermillion. Different from most of the red lilies. **$5.00.**

William Falconer (M GB A T) The darkest red of all water lilies, being a velvety black-red. Leaves green, maroon spotted. Not satisfactory in hot climate. **$5.00.**

Sirius (L EB A T) The leaves of this variety are red, spotted with reddish brown. The flowers are huge and dark red. **$5.00.**

Vesuve (M GB B) A dark red lily blooming very profusely. The blossoms are a good size and very double. **$5.00.**

Picciola (L EB A T) A dark crimson variety, standing above the water and in several ways distinctly different from other red lilies. The leaves are spotted with red. **$4.00.**

Conqueror (L GB A T) One of the most beautiful lilies. The immense flowers are a deep crimson, shaded toward the ends of petals to a deep pink. Stamens are long and bright yellow, making a striking contrast. **$3.25.**

James Hudson (L EB A) An exceptionally good, new variety. The tulip shaped blooms have sharp petals of rich red with mauve reflections. A rare European variety. **$5.00.**

Sultan (L EB A) A large cherry-red lily; the outer petals being a light rose. One of the best blooming lilies and one of the most admired. **$4.50.**

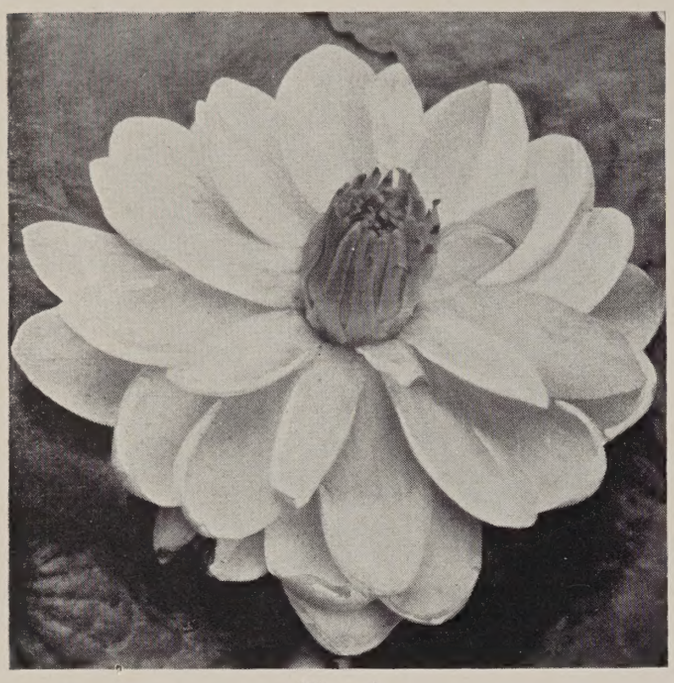
Arethusia (M GB A T) Deep, dark red blossoms; almost as dark as the William Falconer. **$5.00.**

Lucida (L EB A) A good rosy red lily with beautiful blotched leaves. Prolific bloomer. **$5.00.**

Red Laydeker (S EB C) Pygmae lily. Big crimson flowers. Unexcelled for blooming and richness of blooms. One of the best lilies. **$3.50.**

NIGHT BLOOMING TROPICALS

(Check page 19 for planting code to help you select your Lilies)



Missouri

The Aristocrats of the Water Garden. Like many young maids, these flowers sleep during the day to bloom gayly at night, and during the early morning hours are the most beautiful flowers in the garden, often staying open until noon. The blossom begins to unfold as the sun goes down and is especially satisfactory for the working man or woman, who would not see the open blossom of a day blooming lily. Shipping time is the same as for Day-bloomers.

Once you have had a beautiful night-blooming tropical from the VAN NESS GARDENS you will never be without one.

All night blooming tropicals are mature plants fully three months old with enormous leaf and root structures. These plants are propagated in our greenhouse pools under the most exacting and ideal conditions possible. We guarantee these plants to be the finest you have ever seen. They set their flowers high above the water; have such beautiful scalloped leaves and are so different from other Water Lilies you will be thrilled with their exotic beauty.

MULTI-PURPOSE PLANTER.
See Page 9.

WHITE

Missouri (L EB B) The finest white night blooming variety. The earliest to bloom and very dependable. A Supreme beauty. **$3.00. Choice variety.**

Juno (L GB B) Immense, pure white blossoms, opening very wide. Central disc solid mass of yellow stamens. A free bloomer with glossy, green leaves, finely toothed at edges. **$3.00.**

RED

H. C. Haarstick (L EB B) A very choice variety. Well shaped blossoms, vivid red, shading to rose-pink. The stamens are rose color and the leaves rich, bronzy red. **$3.00. Choice variety.**

George Huster (L EB B) A brilliant variety with large blossoms. The leaves are bronze-red, crimped at the edges. **$3.00.**

Red Flare—Deepest of the Reds, **$5.00**—see Pages 13 and 20.

ROSE

Mrs. Geo. Hitchcock (L EB B) This large, rose-pink flower is such a wonderful bloomer and so easy to grow it cannot help giving satisfaction. A very **choice** variety. **$3.00.**

Frank Trelease (L EB B) A deep rose colored, narrow petaled variety. **$3.00.**

PINK

Mrs. Emily Hutchings (L EB B) Beautiful pink blossoms with curving petals. Bronze leaves so different as to be quite noticeable. **$3.00. Choice variety.**

O'Marana (L EB B) Rosy-pink flowers of large size. Each petal having a white stripe; the effect being intensified by orange-red stamens. **$3.00.**

Hitchcock

BUY COLLECTIONS AND SAVE

REMEMBER YOU ALSO ADD 10% IN GIFT PLANTS

COMPLETE POOL COLLECTIONS

COMPLETE POOL COLLECTION #32

53 Lovely Water Plants with CHOICE LILIES
Sufficient for a pool 8 x 10 or larger.
Makes a well-balanced pool.

5 CHOICE WATER LILIES—Comanche (sunset), Escarboucle (red), Formosa (pink), Sunrise (yellow), and Gonnere (white). 4 Tall Water Plants—Umbrella Palm, Double Arrowhead (white), Azure Pickerel (blue), Water Iris. 12 Shallow Water Plants—2 Water Poppy (yellow), 1 Water Snowflake (white), 1 Floating Heart (yellow), 5 Parrots Feather, 3 Primrose Creeper. 30 Oxygenating Plants—20 Anacharis and 5 Myriophyllum, 5 Ludwegia. 1 Azure Hyacinth.
Value, $26.10—**for $24.95.**

FINE COLLECTION FOR SMALL POOLS COLLECTION #34

For pools around 4 x 8

3 CHOICE HARDY WATER LILIES—Gloriosa (red), Chromatella (yellow), and Splendida (deep pink). 2 Tall Water Plants—Umbrella Palm (blue) and Water Iris. 3 Shallow Water Plants—2 Water Poppy (yellow) and 1 Azure Hyacinth (Azure Blue) 20. Oxygenating Grasses—10 Myriophyllum and 10 Anacharis.
Value, $13.50—**for $12.50.**

FINE COLLECTION FOR SHALLOW POOLS COLLECTION #36

Pools 5' x 8' or 8' dia. size

5 CHOICE HARDY WATER LILIES—Gloriosa (red), Chromatella (yellow), Paul Hariot (sunset), Hermine (white), M. Carnea (pink). 2 Tall Water Plants—Equisetum and Cattail. 20 Oxygenating Grasses—4 bunches.
Value $16.25—**for $14.95.**

EXCELLENT COLLECTION FOR A 10' DIA. POOL COLLECTION #38

5 CHOICE HARDY WATER LILIES—Sultan (red), Splendida (pink), Moorei (yellow), Albatross (white), Comanche (sunset). 2 Tall Water Plants—Azure Pickerel and Umbrella Palm. 30 Oxygenating Grasses—6 bunches.
Value $23.50—**for $21.95.**

MINIATURE LILY COLLECTION #95

Pygmae Helvola—yellow, Aurora—sunset, M. Red—red, Hermine—white, Joanne Pring—pink.
Value $14.24—**for $13.25.**

GROTTO COLLECTION #40

Pennsylvania—blue, Sultan—red, Amabilis—pink, Albatross—white, Rose Arey—rose.
Value, $19.75—**for $18.25.**

WATER PLANT COLLECTION #26

Floating Heart, Water Poppy, Japanese Arrowhead, Cattail, Umbrella Palm, Water Canna, 3 varieties water grasses.
Value, $3.85—**for $3.25.**

HARDY LILY COLLECTIONS

CHOICE HARDY COLLECTION #94

Comanche—apricot, Gonnere—white, Escarboucle—red, Sunrise—yellow, Formosa—pink.
Value, $19.50—**for $17.95.**

SUPERB COLLECTION #93

Sunrise—yellow, Gonnere—white, Gloriosa—red.
Value, $10.50—**for $9.50.**

BUDGET COLLECTION #10

Aurora—sunset, Chromatella—yellow, Hermine—white, Rose Arey—pink.
Value, $11.75—**for $10.95.**

RAINBOW COLLECTION #11

Moorei—yellow, Escarboucle—red, Masaniello—pink, Comanche—sunset, M. Albida—white.
Value, $18.50—**for $16.95.**

ATTRACTIVE DUET COLLECTION #19

Moorei—yellow, and Masaniello—pink.
Value, $7.50—**for $6.95.**

BEAUTIFUL COLLECTION #30

Chromatella—yellow, Albida—white, Gloriosa—red.
Value, $8.75—**for $7.95.**

12 CHOICE HARDY LILIES COLLECTION #12

Gonnere—white, Albida—white, Chromatella—yellow, Sunrise—yellow, Comanche—sunset, Paul Hariot—sunset, Rose Arey—pink, Masaniello—pink, Formosa—pink, Gloriosa—red, Escarboucle—red, Pink Glory—pink.
Value, $43.25—**for $39.95.**

FRAGRANT COLLECTION #35

A trio of Hardy Lilies having a charming and beautiful odor. Each of these lilies has a different shade of pink with differently shaped blooms. Rose Arey, Pink Opal, and Venusta.
Value, $9.25—**for $8.50.**

COLLECTION #48 LAKE LILIES

Fine natural lake and pond lilies.

Rose Arey	Conqueror
Morning Glory	Albatross
M. Albida	Pink Glory
Masaniello	Leviathan
Picciola	Chromatella

Value, $33.75—**for $29.95.**

COLLECTION #49 LAKE LILIES

12 assorted unnamed lake lilies for $19.95.

FOUR BOOKS YOU WILL CHERISH

1. **GARDEN POOL, WATER-LILIES and GOLDFISH** by Dr. G. L. Thomas, Jr. The newest, most comprehensive book on Water Gardening. It gives diagrams for building pools. Lists many of the choice water-lilies. Describes fish and their care. Tells how to balance a pool for clear water. 320 pages. **$5.95.**

2. **GOLDFISH VARIETIES and WATER GARDENS** by Wm. T. Innes. The most authentic book today on water gardening and goldfish. Full of pictures and illustrations. 381 pages. **$5.50.**

3. **THE GOLDFISH** by Leonard C. Betts. A complete guide to the care and maintenance of goldfish. Includes chapters on raising fry, varieties, breeding, show tactics and breeding in ponds. **$1.00.**

4. **ENJOY YOUR SMALLER PETS** by Putnam and Golpe. The care of goldfish, turtles, chameleons and salamanders. 8 pages of pictures. 40 pages. **50¢.**

LOTUS

Sacred Lotus (Pink, Shiroman, Yellow and Red)

In Hawaii they make candy from Lotus roots. In many parts of the world it is an important vegetable.

Growing tip MUST BE OUT OF SOIL, with 1" to 2" of soil over remainder of tuber. Water level 6" to 8" over growing tip.

LOTUS

The exotic and beautiful lotus leaves and flowers add the charm of the Orient to a water lily pool. They grow quite tall (3 ft.) and more and more people are building a separate lotus pool behind their lily pool to make an unbelievably striking setting. In the fall you should cut the dry seed pods and leaves for dried flower arrangements.

Lotus are extremely hardy and since they bury their roots deep in the soil they are hardier than hardy water lilies. Be very careful in the first planting of the TUBER. If these steps are taken, they will grow and multiply beyond belief.

1. Lotus need a round tub or pool. (Roots grow in circles. May die when they hit a corner of a box).
2. Put 2" rotted steer manure in bottom of tub or pool.
3. Fill remainder of tub with rich soil.
4. Dig trench 1" to 2" deep and lay lotus tuber in it horizontally.
5. Cover tuber but (THIS IS THE SECRET of SUCCESS), the growing tip or tips MUST ABSOLUTELY stick out of soil.
6. By nature Lotus tubers must bury themselves or they will die. It's amazing how this tip pointing out of the soil will turn and go back into the soil, but it will.
7. Watch tuber that it doesn't float. Sand over soil will do the trick.
8. Have 6" of water over the tip.

Planting time May 1st to June 15th ONLY

Red Lotus. (Roseum Plenum.) Mammoth double blossoms of an American beauty shade; not a deep red. Blossoms often a foot across and very double. A choice variety. **$4.50.**

Nelumbium Speciosum (pink). Egyptian sacred Lotus. An excellent variety. Very hardy and free growing. Possesses a strange, haunting fragrance. **$3.50.**

Nelumbium Flavens (yellow). A splendid variety that has cream colored flowers. A good bloomer. **$3.50.**

Nelumbium Shiroman. A rare and beautiful, very fragrant double white lotus. Huge flowers and free blooming. Choice variety. **$5.50.**

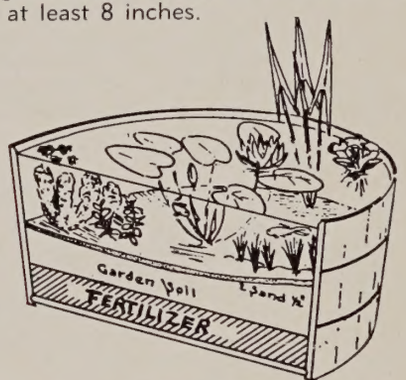
LOTUS TRIO COLLECTION #66
Red — Pink — Yellow. Value $11.50 — **for $10.75**

TUB GARDEN

Tug Garden collections are one of our best sellers because they appeal to such a wide variety of people and conditions, such as space and location. It is amazing to us the number of customers who start out with one tub garden and become so fascinated they add up to five tubs in a series while others construct large pools and go into water gardening with unlimited possibilities and pleasures. Wood tubs, ordinary galvanized tubs, old washing machines, and old bath tubs are but a few of the possibilities for making a lovely tub garden. Tubs may be sunk in the ground or placed above the ground as desired.

There are so many water plants that do well in a small space that there is no end to the possibilities of this type of Water Garden.

Lilies will grow with 4 inches of water over crown, but will do better with at least 8 inches.



TUB GARDEN

THE FOLLOWING LILIES MAY BE USED IN A TUB GARDEN OR SMALL POOL

HARDY LILIES

Glorioso, red
Pygmae Helvola, yellow
White Laydeker, white
Hermine, white
Mary Patricia, pink
Paul Hariot, sunset
Aurora, sunset
Chrysantha, sunset
Indiana, sunset
Joanne Pring, pink
Pink Laydeker, pink

TROPICAL LILIES

Zanzibar Blue
Blue Pygmae
Francis B. Griffith
Royal Purple

YELLOW TUB GARDEN COLLECTION #1
2 Pyg. Helvola Lilies — yellow, 2 bu. fish grasses. Value, $5.00 — **for $4.50.**

RED & BLUE TUB GARDEN COLLECTION #2
Glorioso Lily — red, Blue Iris, 2 bu. fish grasses, Value $4.25 — **for $3.75.**

WHITE & BLUE TUB GARDEN COLLECTION #3
Hermine Lily — white, Azure Pickerel — blue, 2 bu. fish grasses. Value $3.50 — **for $2.95.**

COLORFUL FOURSOME TUB GARDEN COLLECTION #4
Paul Hariot Lily — sunset, 1 Azure Hyacinth — blue, 2 Water Poppies — yellow, 1 Japanese Arrowhead — white. Value, $4.75 — **for $4.25.**

PINK & YELLOW & BLUE TUB COLLECTION #5
Joanne Pring Lily — pink, 2 Water Poppy — yellow, 1 Blue Iris, 1 bu. fish grass. Value, $4.75 — **for $4.25.**

BEAUTIFUL TRIO BATH TUB COLLECTION #6
Hermine Lily—white, Aurora Lily — sunset, M. Red — pink, 3 bu. fish grasses. Value, $9.50 — **for $8.75.**

FISH

We have a good assortment of Goldfish, Comets, Japanese Fantails, Calicos, Chinese Moore and Shubukins which may be purchased at our gardens. However, we do not ship fish, due to the extremely high express rates on this type of shipment.

NEW FISH: Spotted Carp. Very pretty, grow very fast and swim near surface of water. Do not keep bottom stirred up. Fast swimmers. Also Golden Orfs.

FISH REMENDY — AQUA-TONIC

Effective as a tonic for fish and plants. Recommended for itch, fungus, torn fins, and sore spots. BE SURE AND USE AQUA-TONIC EVERYTIME YOU ADD FISH OR CLEAN YOUR POOL. Use as directed on label. 4 oz. **$1.00.** Treats a 4'x8' Pool.

NYLON FISH NETS. The finest long lasting fish net you can buy. 8", **$1.25.**

FISH FOOD

We could offer you a plain fish meal at half the price, but your fish need a complete diet with meat and flies the same as your pet cat or dog. Many people wonder why so many of their young fish fail to change color. Most of this is due to a lack of meat (shrimp) in their diet.

1. Complete fish food with shrimp and flies. This is a properly balanced fish food, which has all the ingredients necessary for keeping your fish in good health. Your fish will love it.
1 lb. $1.00

2. SHRIMP MEAL. A new concentrated shrimp meat diet. If you want your fish to grow faster and have a deeper golden color try this fine food.
$1.50 lb.

3. PURE SHREDDED SHRIMP. 100% shrimp meat. The ultimate in fish food.
$2.75 lb.
½ lb. $1.50

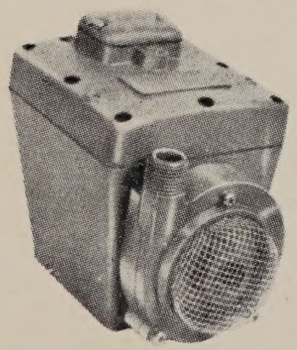
APHIS REMEDY

Can be safely used to kill aphis on water lily pads and will not poison your fish. With instructions. Use 2% solution.
1 pint, $1.00

AMPRUF RUBBER BASE PAINT

We can not recommend this wonderful paint too highly. For 5 years we have sold this special patented paint without one complaint. In fact, our customers found it so satisfactory they have used it as a last resort on their swimming pools and showers with amazing results. If you have trouble with the paint on your swimming pool or shower I thoroughly believe AMPRUF will solve your problem. These beautiful shades not only add beauty but also make a perfect sealer for your cement. Colors: Green, Blue, or White. Depending on cement 1 qt. should do approximately 100 sq. ft. to 200 sq. ft.
$3.00 per quart; $11.00 a gallon
Ampruf Thinner—Must Be Used With Paint—75¢ Pt.

LITTLE GIANT CIRCULATING PUMPS



For Low Pressure, High Volume Jobs Little Giant recirculating pumps are hermetically sealed in oil . . . never need lubrication. They are specifically designed to recirculate liquids without the need of expensive and cumbersome piping. Built for years of trouble-free service, Little Giant pumps are corrosion resistant and easily installed. Best of all, LITTLE GIANT PUMPS OPERATE WHEN COMPLETELY UNDER WATER.

	Gallons Per Hour			Price	
	3 feet high	5 feet high	9 feet high	at Gardens	Postpaid
#2	130 gal.	90 gal.		$22.95	$23.95
#3	320 gal.	270 gal.	195 gal.	$36.50	$38.00
#3-12R (heavy duty)	400 gal.	345 gal.	275 gal.	$39.75	$41.25

VAN NESS SPECIAL WATER CLARIFIER

Helps establish and maintain balance of the water in aquatic gardens and pools. It will not harm fish or plants. Should be used when pool is first planted and every time it is cleaned. Directions on product. Enough for an 8 x 10 pool.
5 pounds for $1.75

SEA SALT. For conditioning pools. Use when fish begin to get sluggish or have white streamers hanging from them. Instructions included. **1 lb., 35¢.**

ALG-AWAY. For a beautifully clear garden pond. Eliminates constant pond cleaning and unsightly slimy algae. Directions on bottle. Each bottle will treat 250 gal. for 10 weeks. **$2.95.**

PLASTIC PLANTERS

If your pool is only 10" to 12" deep ALL of these plastic planters are excellent. #3 and #4 are also suitable for deep pools.

#3 14 qt. 11" x 13½" x 6¼". Ideal for tropical and medium sized hardy lilies. **$2.25.**

#4 14 qt. Same as above but round. 13½" dia., 6¼" deep. **$2.25.**

#5 11" x 13½" x 4¼". Ideal for small hardy and small tropical lilies in shallow pools or W. Poppy and shallow water plants in deep pools. **$1.35.**

#6 10½" round, 3¼" deep planter. Good for W. Poppy, Floating Heart, W. Snowflake, oxygenating grasses and bogs. **$1.00.**

SPECIAL WATER LILY BOXES

#7 PLANTING BOX ASSEMBLED

A very good light weight box made of #1 pine lumber. 9½" x 11" x 15½". Very good for medium and small hardy Lilies and for all TROPICAL Lilies. Excellent also for bog plants and shallow water plants. **$1.75 or 6 for $9.00.**

WOODEN PLANTING BOXES

#8 planting box—the best planting container. Save yourself money on this extra heavy, (8 lbs.) knock-down (assemble in 5 minutes), nails included, box for all hardy and tropical lilies. 18" x 13" x 10". **$3.00.**

#9 planting box—best for LARGE pools. Save yourself money also on this extra large, heavy (10 lbs.), knock-down (assemble in 5 minutes) nails included, box. Suitable for large hardy or up to three star tropicals. Lasts up to 5 years without replanting. **$4.00.**

A NEW MULTI-PURPOSE PLANTER — See Pg. 6
20" dia., 12" deep
No unsightly handles

EXTRA HEAVY GALVANIZED TUB so beautifully engineered it can be used as an above the ground tub garden in any patio or yard. This heavy metal tub is undoubtedly the best container for planting HARDY and TROPICAL LILIES there is. If you are interested in raising specimen water lilies this is the best possible container you can buy. It is ideal for planting your LOTUS tuber. Perfect for TUB GARDENS. No handles to mar the beauty of a miniature pool. **$6.00.**

VAN NESS WATER LILY FERTILIZER

A scientifically balanced fertilizer especially designed for water lily culture. This fertilizer is highly concentrated and will give your plants 1. rapid growth and 2. deeper color effects in the blooms. Mix 1 lb. for each lily box 12" square.
2½ lbs., $1.35; 5 lbs., $2.25; 10 lbs., $4.35

THE CULTURE OF WATER LILIES

Please Read Carefully

We are always happy to give any advice possible regarding the culture of Water Lilies and should any problem arise which is not dealt with on this page we hope you will feel free to consult us; however, before writing please read this carefully, as we have tried to cover all of the problems involved in Water Lily culture as we know them.

Our ideal location helps us to answer many questions. We are 2100 ft. high. It frosts here. We have ice on our pools many mornings each winter. For this reason our lilies are conditioned for winter weather also. In the summer we have hot weather and can see how the lilies act in very hot climates. We leave our Tropical Lilies in our pools over the winter. They are bigger and better the second year.

The following are the questions we are called upon to answer very often.

SHOULD LILIES BE PLANTED IN SOIL?

Most emphatically yes. Water lilies have to have soil and it must be rich. You may use one-fourth well rotted dairy fertilizer and three-fourths good loam. For best results use our VAN NESS WATER LILY FERTILIZER. Steer causes Algae.

HOW MUCH SOIL SHOULD EACH LILY HAVE?

At least one bushel of soil for each lily of medium size. Dwarf lilies will do with less.

HOW DEEP SHOULD THE WATER BE?

The ideal depth of water over the crown of the plant is from 8 to 10 inches, although they will give fairly good results in water from 6 to 15 inches in depth.

SHOULD LILIES BE PLANTED IN BOXES?

They may be planted either in boxes or on bottom of pool, but pool is easier kept clean if boxes are used. Place fertilizer in lower half of soil, fill box with garden soil and cover with 1 inch of coarse sand. If pool is deep the boxes should be raised to within 8 or 10 inches of the surface. Boxes should be a minimum of 12" x 12" x 6" up to 24" x 24" x 12" for best results. Line boxes with newspapers to keep the dirt from sifting out. DO NOT USE REDWOOD. It discolors water.

DO LILIES LIKE SHADE?

They do not. They will not bloom unless they have full sun for at least half the day, preferably morning sun. Such lilies as Comanche, Gloriosa, and Chromatella do fairly well in partial shade. Water Lettuce, Hyacinth, Water Hawthorne and the Taros are satisfactory in shady pools, but to try anything else is money wasted.

WHEN SHOULD POOLS BE CLEANED?

Early in the spring, before the lilies begin to grow, all debris should be cleaned out of the pool. It is not necessary to drain the pool and remove the soil oftener than once in two years. All cleaning and replanting should be done in the spring or fish spawn will be lost. In mild climate clean pool every 1 to 3 years.

CAN WATER LILIES BE GROWN IN RUNNING STREAMS AND LAKES?

Yes, water lilies do very well in most lakes and streams. In fact, the mother plants of present day lilies all came from lakes and streams. We have seen water lilies bloom out of ten (10) feet of water at an altitude of 10,000 ft. If you wish to really add beauty to a stream or lake near your home, plant a lily every five or six feet and start them at a depth of 1 or 2 feet. They will travel from over there. You never need to worry about them becoming uncontrollable. Any ODORATA type is ideal for this purpose, but others listed in coll. #48 on pg. 7 do very well.

HOW DO YOU KEEP MOSQUITOS FROM BREEDING IN POOL?

If you have half a dozen fish for each 6 ft. of pool they will very effectively keep out mosquito larvae. Do not have mosquito fish—have pretty fish.

CAN WATER LILIES BE GROWN IN TUBS?

Yes, the small and medium sized lilies do well in tubs, but the larger varieties will do better in a concrete pool.

WHAT PESTS ATTACK WATER PLANTS?

Aphis is the only pest to contend with. This may be controlled by spraying with the hose, early in the morning, then the fish will eat them. Begin with the first signs of Aphis. VOLCK OIL SPRAY is the best that can be used after you have Aphis. It is safe—will not harm plants or fish.

HOW SHOULD POOL BE TREATED TO KEEP WATER CLEAR?

If you observe these few rules you will not have any trouble.

You must have a well balanced pool with plenty of plant life and scavengers.

Sample—6' x 8' Pool Suggestions:

1. Only a drip of water, lots of new water causes algae. Water will always be fresh and pure, never stagnant if you follow all of the hints listed here. Recirculating water is fine.
2. Snails—36 of any kind.
3. Fish—12 medium sized. Goldfish are very pretty and just as effective as mosquito fish. Mosquito fish eat the eggs of the goldfish.
4. Oxygenating Grasses—2 to 5 bunches.
5. Lilies—At least one hardy or tropical to each 9 square feet. The lily pads cut off much of the direct sun and do MORE THAN ANYTHING ELSE to eliminate algae and discoloration. 5 lilies for this sample pool.
6. Fertilizer—Steer fertilizer is good, but causes algae. Our special fertilizer is excellent.
7. Boxes—Any wood but redwood. Tubs are fine, especially for Lotus.

HELP FOR LEAKS AND CRACKS

For cracks in pool, dry pool thoroughly and patch with one-fourth inch of Asbestos roof cement over a crack. For a pool that just leaks generally all over, make a mixture of pure plastic cement and water to the consistency of paint. Paint pool with this mixture or paint with our water-proof paint listed on page 9.

The Culture of Water Lilies (continued)

WHEN SHOULD WATER LILIES BE PLANTED?

Hardy Lilies—In generally frost-free areas plant February through October. In climates subject to freezing weather about April 1 is a safe date; they may be planted up until August with good results.

Tropical Lilies—Set out only after nights get warm and stay warm. Earlier planting leads only to disappointment.

HOW SHOULD WATER LILIES BE PLANTED?

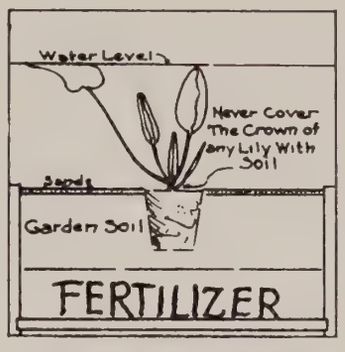
Hardy lilies should be planted horizontally, with the crown well out of the soil. Tropical lilies should be planted upright. Don't worry if stems or leaves don't reach the surface when first planted. In a day or two they will be there. Many water lilies will grow out of 10 ft. of water. They just love water! They will bloom best at a depth of 8" to 12". When receiving water plants do not allow them to become dry before planting; place them in tub of water or cover with a wet sack.

HOW SHOULD WATER LILIES BE WINTERED OVER?

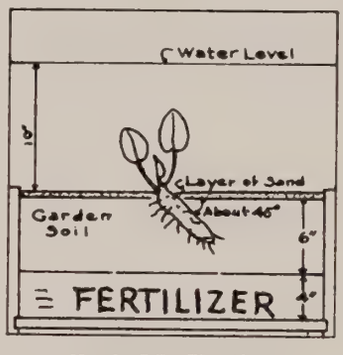
Hardy lilies may safely be wintered over in the pool if the roots do not freeze. In extremely cold climates cover with boards and give an extra covering of straw. Should it be advisable to lift the lilies before cold weather arrives they may be stored in a cool cellar. Be careful that they do not dry out or dry rot will attack them and they will be lost.

HOW DO YOU WINTER TROPICALS OR STAR LILIES?

In mild climates they may be left in the pool all winter. We do not guarantee them to live over, but almost without exception they do in Southern California and mild areas. In May get in and see that the bulb is one-half inch under the soil and crown (rough) side up. The bulb may be deep in the box. In cold climates take the bulb out after the lily has gone dormant. Store in a can of moist sand in FROST FREE cellar or garage until May. Plant. Tropicals have so many blooms and are so beautiful they are worth this little extra work. Night bloomers will not live over anywhere. They must be harvested and stored.



Tropical Lily Planting

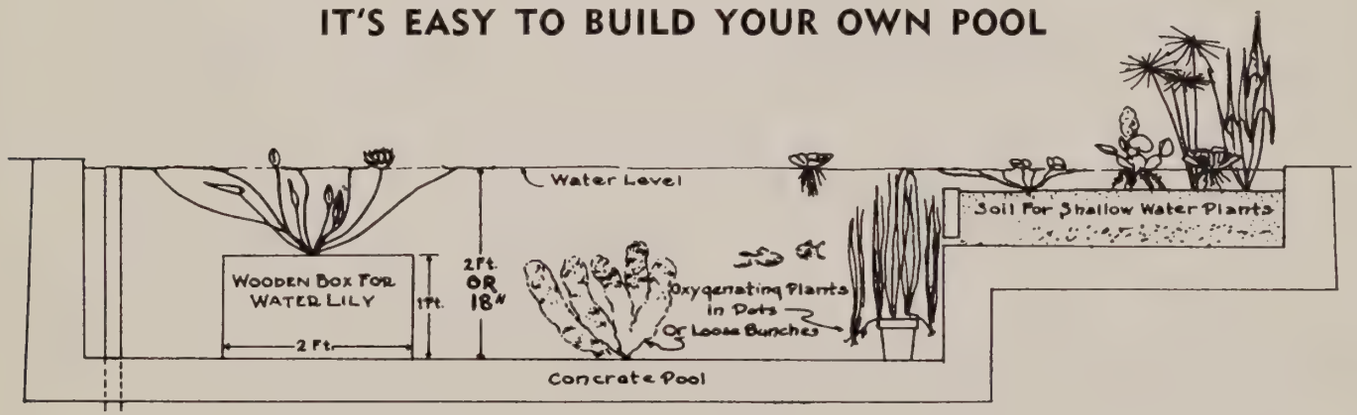


Hardy Lily Planting

HOW AND WHEN SHOULD LOTUS BE PLANTED?

These plants are hardy and may be grown anywhere in the U.S., blooming better the second year than the first. The bulbs look like a peeled banana, the crown is at the long end of the bulb. The crown should be placed up, with the bulb placed horizontally. **Great care should be taken not to break the crown off,** as that renders the bulb worthless. Cover with 2 inches of soil, **leaving growing tip just out of the soil.** Cover with 6 inches of water until growth begins. While Lotus is hardy it should not be planted too early as growth should begin at once after planting or bulb is apt to decay. Shipped May 1st to June 15th only.

IT'S EASY TO BUILD YOUR OWN POOL



LOCATION. The pool should be exposed to full sun. Lilies cannot be expected to bloom unless the sun shines into the heart of them at least part of the day.

We suggest that you make your pool as large as your space will permit, as there are so many water plants you will want. Ideal depth 16" to 24".

An informal pool is much easier and less expensive to build than a formal one, as it can be built without forms. For an informal pool, after deciding on size and shape, dig out soil to depth of 2 feet and level off. Shave side walls as near perpendicular as possible, as walls which slope are that much wasted space in your pool, and gather Algae making pool unsightly. Tamp walls and floor and reinforce with heavy stucco wire, covering walls and floor.

There are three (3) steps in building an informal pool which are the same as stuccoing a house.

1. First coat of cement—1" to 1½"—troweled on. Pull wire thru and leave very rough.
2. Second coat 1" to 1½" over the first and smooth with trowel and old paint brush (wonderful tool). Wire is now in center of concrete.
3. Seal with pure plastic cement and water (consistency of thin paint) or paint with our AMPRUF POOL PAINT (page 9).

In building a formal pool dig the exact size and shape desired. Allow about 6 inches space for wall and build inside form. The walls should be reinforced, and after it is poured, allow it to harden until the next day. Remove forms and pour bottom of the pool. Finish as directed below.

Plastic Cement. The proper mixture of water-proof plastic cement is one shovel of cement to five of sand. In cold climates, the concrete should be 6 inches thick; in mild climates 3 inches is ample.

Fill pool and let stand for three days. Add 1 quart of strong vinegar to each 100 gallons of water to neutralize the alkaline so pool will be safe for fish. Drain. Refill. Pool is now ready to plant. This treatment must be used after painting also.

No drain is needed.

POOLSIDE PLANTS

Duplex Gerberas

GERBERAS (Transvaal Daisies) If you want lots of beautiful color, flowers that have a long blooming season and are wonderful for cut flowers lasting many days, then you will want these extra beautiful Gerberas. Flowers are from 3" to 6" and perfectly shaped. Each plant a different color. Colors range from pure white to red with yellows, pinks, oranges, and multi-colors.

DUPLEX GERBERAS. Coll. #69. These are the single gerberas that are usually seen. **6 for $3.00.**

DOUBLE GERBERAS. These are one of the most gorgeous of cut flowers. Instead of being open in center they have spectacular arrangement of extra petals. One bloom makes a jewel-toned bouquet. These are new and have been on the market a very short time. **75¢; 3 for $2.00.** Coll. #68.

FOUNTAIN GRASS (Pennisetum ruppeli.) Narrow, graceful blades. Grows in clump to height of two feet. Feathery plumes, shaded with red. One of the finest poolside plants. **50¢.**

ELEPHANT EAR (Esculentum.) Exotic plant with huge leaves. Excellent for providing a TROPICAL look in any shaded or partially shaded area. JUMBO $1.50 size plants for only **$1.00; 3 for $2.50.**

BAMBOO IRIS. Fits in perfect in landscape around pool. Has small white sprays of blossoms in the spring and summer. Very different and attractive. Rare. **$1.00.**

MORAEA IRIDOIDES. Belongs to the Iris family, but different, and blooms from early spring until late fall. Large white flowers with crests marked in blue. Very rare. **$1.00; 3 for $2.50.**

PHORMIUM (New Zealand Flax.) Fine, long striped foliage. Leaves 2" wide, often 3' long. Very striking near a pool. Bronze, green or red, variegated (green and yellow). Also dwarf variegated. STATE CHOICE. **$1 each; 3 for $2.50.**

ZEPHYR OR FAIRY LILY Beautiful pure white lily-like flowers, 2" across. Grows freely if planted in masses of 12 or more. **6 for $1.00.**

CAREX (Morrowi.) Leaves flat, striped and grass like. Six inches tall. An excellent low plant. Pretty blue flower. **75¢.**

ORCHID CACTUS (Ephiphyllum.) Lovely in patios and shaded corners and hanging baskets. Like shade. Soil and leaf mold and peat. E. Oxypetalum (white), E. Hernossissium (crimson), E. Dante (orange red), E. Latona (cerise pink), E. Conway Giant (purple-crimson), E. Ackermanni (red), E. Rosy Morn (shell-pink), E. Padre (rose-pink), E. Wareii (cream). **75¢; 8 for $5.00.**

Autumn Flame

HOUSE PLANTS

NEW IPOMEA (Sweet Potato) PLANTS. Featured in October, 1960 SUNSET. Mentioned in many of the Flower magazines in the January, 1961 issue including FLOWER & GARDEN. These plants are refined forms of the ordinary sweet potato, hybridized and painstakingly selected for their ornamental qualities. These ornamental house plants have been three years in the hybridizing. Some are vining plants. Cultural instructions included in all orders.

BLUSHING HUSSY. Leaves three-pointed and very dark green. Vining type. Sometimes has flower like a Morning Glory. **$1.70.** SOLD OUT. New plants shipped Nov., 1961.

AUTUMN FLAME. Numerous dark green leaves with dark purple stems when exposed to lots of light. Leaves turn autumn colors and get fairly large (2 by 3-inch). Bushy growing habit. **$1.40.**

BLEEDING HEART. Heart shaped leaves. Forms a long, graceful vine after 3 or 4 months. Light to medium green leaves. **$1.40.**

COLLEEN BEAUTY. Medium-sized green leaves with purple veins. New leaves are purple. Vines and leaf is heart shaped. **$1.40.**

EMERALD CASCADE. This compact bushy growing plant has numerous small (1¼x1") dark green, ivy-like leaves. **$1.40.**

TAIWAN MISSY. 5-fingered leaves deeply cut like a Japanese maple. Slightly vining. **$1.70.** SOLD OUT. New plants shipped Nov., 1961.

NEW INTRODUCTIONS By MR. MARTIN E. RANDIG

Mr. Martin E. Randig is one of the world's top hybridizers of tropical lilies in the entire history of water lily culture. We devote one entire page of our catalog to them because of the tremendous demand for them. Every one listed here is a crown masterpiece in every respect. These new hybrids are the latest and best in a wide range of exotic colors.

Eldorado and Enchantment. Coll. #88

BLUES

MARGARET RANDIG 1939 by MR. MARTIN E. RANDIG (L EB A)

The very finest of all blues. A large dark rich blue, with broad petaled flowers, opening full. Deeper blue than the Whitaker. Large leaves are deep green with freckles. Plant is a very vigorous grower. MR. MARTIN E. RANDIG classifies it as his finest tropical water lily. Fragrant. **$5.**

LEOPARDESS 1931 by MR. MARTIN E. RANDIG. (L EB A)

Flowers are a lovely dark cobalt blue of medium size. Plant is an excellent grower. The deep green leaves are heavily spotted and striped with chestnut. Fragrant. **$5.**

MRS. MARTIN E. RANDIG 1931 by MR. MARTIN E. RANDIG (L EB A)

Flowers a beautiful dark cobalt blue. Buds are deep green. Sepals are a dark rose pink. Leaves green with bronzy red underside. Leaf propagator. Lily patented #294. Very fine and vigorous lily. Fragrant. **$5.**

YELLOWS

YELLOW DAZZLER 1938 by MR. MARTIN E. RANDIG (L EB A)

The best of the yellows. Large flowers are a deep rich chrome-yellow, opening full flat. A very good bloomer. Leaves are a deep green with lead blue undercoloring. Fragrant. **$5.**

TRAIL BLAZER 1938 by MR. MARTIN E. RANDIG (L EB A)

A dark starry yellow. Prolific bloomer and vigorous grower. Deep green leaf with pink undertone. Fragrant. **$5.**

ELDORADO (City of Gold) (L EB A)

Giant lemon yellow, quite double large oval leaves heavily speckled. Excellent bloomer. Flowers open flat. Largest of all the yellows. A very hardy tropical. **$5.**

ROSE

EVELYN RANDIG 1931 by MR. MARTIN E. RANDIG (L EB A)

Flowers are a beautiful deep magenta rose in color. Leaves are a deep green with heavy spotting and striping of chestnut. Leaves are as beautiful as the flowers. Fragrant. **$5.**

TALISMAN

AFTERGLOW 1946 by MR. MARTIN E. RANDIG (M EB B)

The flowers are a deep talisman running into orange in color. Leaves are a deep green with pink undertone. This beautiful lily will adapt itself readily to small pools as well as larger pools. Fragrant. **$5.**

PINKS

ENCHANTMENT (L EB A)

Deep salmon rose. Free flowering. Leaves oval, slightly speckled. Lovely color and wonderful bloomer. A very hardy tropical **$5.**

LEADING LADY 1938 by MR. MARTIN E. RANDIG (L EB A)

Huge multi-petaled peach pink, actual count in mid-summer of 44 petals. Flowers open full flat. The finest of the peach pinks. Flowers stay open late under artificial light. Leaves are huge oval shape, overlapping slightly and scalloped around edges, deep green with brown freckling. Very strong grower and very fragrant. **$5.**

NEW NIGHT BLOOMER

RED FLARE 1938 by MR. MARTIN E. RANDIG (L EB A)

Flowers are a real vivid deep fire engine red. The darkest of the red night blooming tropicals. Leaves are a deep mahogany red. Beautiful. Excellent bloomer. Fragrant. **$5.**

Mrs. Martin E. Randig, Margaret Randig, and Evelyn Randig. Coll. #91

Complete Your Pool With These Plants

(Check page 19 for planting code to help you select your Lilies)

Water Poppy

THESE DO BEST PLANTED IN WATER FROM 5 TO 6 INCHES DEEP AND IN BOXES OF 6" OF SOIL OR MORE. Plant in box and raise to 5" to 8" of the surface of water. This is easily accomplished by nailing legs of proper length to box or setting box on stones.

Water Poppy (N) (Linnocharis humboldti). An old favorite with blossoms like a California poppy. Each plant throws out runners bearing blossoms all summer. **25¢; 5 for $1.00.**

Water Snowflake (N) (Nymphoides indicum.) A dainty little plant is the Water Snowflake. The flowers are about an inch across and have 5 petals, each resembling a flake of snow. They will do well in 6 inches of water, either in pool or dishpan. **50¢; 3 for $1.25.**

Floating Heart (N) (Nymphoides peltatum.) Has bright yellow fringed flowers of medium size, with leaves like a Pigmy lily. Has to be planted in soil. **35¢; 3 for $1.00.**

WATER IRIS

Red Water Iris (H) Beautiful red rust colored Iris, growing about 2 ft. tall. It is hardy. A lovely new addition to the pool. **75¢; 3 for $2.00.**

Iris Purpurae (H) A water Iris with such a deep blue as to be almost purple, 12 inches to 15 inches tall. **75c; 3 for $2.00.**

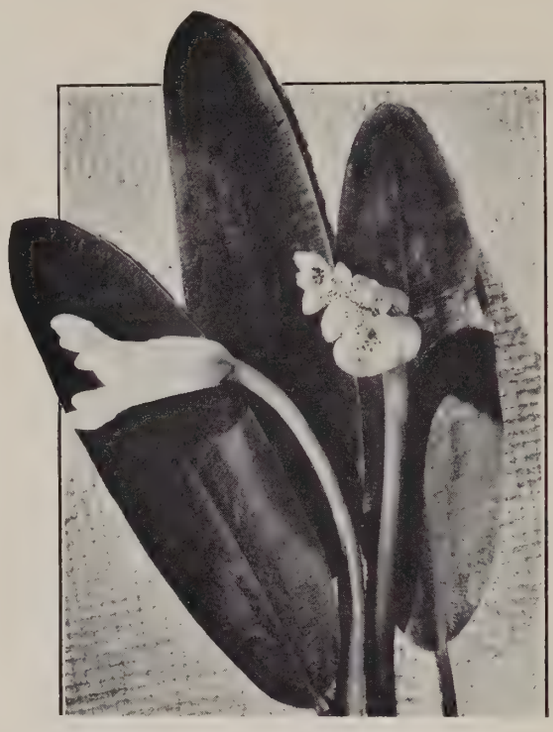
Iris Versicolor (H) Tall narrow stems with very beautiful blue flowers, long blooming. **50¢; 3 for $1.25.**

Yellow Iris (H) (Pseudacorus.) One of the necessary plants for your pool the foliage making an artistic touch either in the center or in the corner. Has tall spikes of yellow blossoms. Will grow equally as well in very moist ground. **50¢; 3 for $1.25.**

Coll. #4 — All Four Varieties for $2.25

Hexagona Iris (H) Beautiful deep cobalt blue 24" to 30" tall. **75¢.**

Casique Iris (H) A different raisin colored iris. 24" to 30" tall. Very pretty. **75¢.**



Hawthorne
Blooms all winter in Southern California and the Southern States

Water Hawthorne (C) (Aponogeton distachyus.) Snowy white flowers with the fragrance of the English Hawthorne. The flower is antler shaped and each antler flecked with black. The leaves are oblong and float on the water. We suggest in such climates as Southern California, you plant one Water Hawthorne in each hardy lily box or tub, so your pool will be beautiful all winter long. **$1.50; 3 for $4.00.**

Azure Hyacinth (D) (Eichhornia azurea.) A trailing variety. Flowers a rich blue, with a yellow eye. Free flowering. **75¢; 3 for $2.00.**

Azure Hyacinth

Complete Your Pool With These Plants

(Check page 19 for planting code)

Under this heading we list such plants as grow in water, but send up leaves and blossoms above the surface one foot or more. These add to the beauty of the pool, being used as centerpieces or for corners. Many of them have beautiful blossoms, all have attractive foliage. THESE DO BEST PLANTED IN WATER FROM 1 TO 2 INCHES DEEP AND IN BOXES OF 6" OF SOIL OR WATER. Plant in box and raise to within a few inches of the surface of water. This is easily accomplished by nailing legs of proper length to box.

Cattail

Pygmae Cattail (H) Cattails used in dried flower arrangements. 3/8" wide and 4" long. Only gets 18" tall. A favorite, **50¢; 3 for $1.25.**

Cattail (H) (Typha Latifolia.) A handsome water plant with rich brown "cattails." **50¢; 3 for $1.25.**

Graceful Cattail (H) (Typha Angustifolia.) The seed pods form a miniature cattail 3/8" diameter and 3 or 4 inches long. Usually does not produce cattail until second year. Choice for flower arrangements. **50¢; 3 for $1.25.**

Umbrella Palm

Water Plantain (H) (Alisma plantago.) Almond shaped leaves of bright green, borne about 3 feet above the surface of the water. Beautiful clusters of flowers resembling Baby's Breath. **50¢; 3 for $1.25.**

Umbrella Palm (H) (Cyperus alterniflilus.) A beautiful plant, growing about 2 feet tall, has slender stems with tuft of leaves spreading out, umbrella shaped. Does well either in shallow water or moist ground. **50¢; 3 for $1.25.**

Giant Umbrella Palm (H) Similar to above except it grows six feet tall. **50¢; 3 for $1.25.**

Papyrus

Double Arrowhead (H) (Saggitaria flora plena.) Leaves arrow shaped. Plant bears large spikes of pure white double flowers, about 2 feet tall. **50¢; 3 for $1.25.**

Japanese Arrowhead (H) Similar in growth to the above, but with single flowers. **50¢; 3 for $1.25.**

Papyrus (H) (Egyptian paper plant.) The stalks are triangular and attain a height of from 5 to 8 feet, having a tuft of thread-like leaves a foot in diameter. Does equally well in two inches of water or in very wet soil. **75¢; 3 for $2.00.**

Miniature Papyrus (H) Small bright green tufts. 1 to 2 feet tall. Choice for flower arrangements. **75¢; 3 for $2.00.**

Equisetum

Saggitaria (H) (Latifolia.) The leaves are broad with long basal lobes. The flowers are pure white, about an inch in diameter. **75¢; 3 for $2.00.**

Equisetum (H) (Horse tail rush.) The most attractive of the rushes. Shows distinct joints, is strong growing, not breaking so easily as other rushes. **50¢; 3 for $1.25.**

Water Arum A tall hardy aquaric with leaves shaped like a Calla lily. **75¢; 3 for $2.00.**

Water Canna (H) (Thalia dealbata.) A tall graceful plant with leaves similar to a canna, leaves maroon at the base. Flowers on tall, arching stems, purple, with silver dust. **$1.00; 3 for $2.50.**

Primrose Willow

Chinese Chestnut (H) Grows freely in shallow water. Has dull green quill-like leaves, growing two feet tall. **50¢; 3 for $1.25.**

Primrose Willow (H) (Jussiaea longifolia.) A beautiful, tall plant with flowers like a primrose and leaves like a willow. **50¢; 3 for $1.25.**

Azure Pickerel Plant

Azure Pickerel Plant (H) (Pontederia paniculata.) This attractive plant grows from 1 to 2 feet tall and each heart-shaped leaf has a spike of Delphinium blue flowers coming from the base. The buds are covered with a silvery sheen. **50¢; 3 for $1.25.**

Miniature Papyrus

Imperial Taro (H) The finest of the Taros. They range in color from beautiful deep velvety green to black. A good house plant. **$1.25.**

Violet Stemmed Taro (H) (Colocasia violacea.) Leaves beautiful blue-green. The stems, mid-ribs and veins underneath leaves are a lovely lavender. **$1.00; 3 for $2.50.**

Violet Stemmed Taro

TROPICAL LILIES

(EXQUISITE FRAGRANCE)

(Check page 19 for planting code to help you select your Lilies)

Yellow Dazzler. See Pg. 13

We have so many letters concerning tropicals and their habits that we have entered this note to help you rather than to try to sell you plants. It is our honest belief that any tropical will reward its owner far beyond its purchase price. The word tropical is hardly a fitting word when speaking of water lilies with this one exception. New young tropicals should not be set out until around June 1st. A bad chill may set them dormant. First, if your winter weather does not normally fall below 30° F., you will seldom lose a tropical lily. They will go dormant. We have several of the finer varieties which very seldom go any more dormant than a Hardy lily. The wonderful thing about tropicals is the fact that all of them bloom at least two (2) months after hardy lilies go dormant. The tropicals which do go dormant (back to a black bulb) will sprout again when the water warms up in May. They are later blooming the second year (around July 4th). That is why we like our customers to have hardy lilies for early blooms and tropicals for late blooms. Northern United States:—if you replace your lilies each year, tropicals will double or triple your blooms because they are blooming plants when you get them. Next, you should check all dormant tropical bulbs to see that they are setting properly so they will root correctly. You should also know that night blooming tropicals do wonderful the first season but seldom live over. It's interesting to know that night blooming tropicals live continually year after year and bloom forever in Hawaii.

If you are a real Water Garden enthusiast you will surely want some of these marvelous plants. Flowers the size of dinner plates, with a perfume so fragrant as to permeate the whole garden. Only in the Tropicals can you obtain the exquisite blue and purple shades; and with the wonderful varieties offered, one can find just the lily to fit his needs. Many of the varieties will adapt themselves either to large or small pools.

Tropicals bloom until frost comes. In mild climates like ours they bloom through November and some in December and January. Last December we had the Panama Pacific, Penna., August Koch, Gen. Pershing, Mrs. Whitaker, Whitaker Gigantea, Mrs. Pring and the Star Lilies all blooming.

We do not ship Tropicals until the weather has become permanently warm, as early shipments are almost sure to go dormant. A safe date is after June first, except in the Southern states, where they may be shipped at an earlier date, May 15th.

Should we be instructed to ship at an earlier date, we do so at customer's risk.

PURPLE

Panama Pacific (L EB B) These are of the viviparous variety, growing young plants at the base of the leaf. They are somewhat hardier than other Tropicals. Flowers a rich purple, the yellow stamens making a striking contrast. Best purple. **$3.00.**

Director Moore (L EB A) Deepest of the purples. Almost a navy blue. An excellent bloomer. Very fine lily. **$3.50.**

Independence (M EB B) Very large rose-purple flowers. Plant begins to bloom when very small, and blooms continuously until frost comes. Will do well in tubs or large pools. **$3.75.**

Zanzibar Blue (M EB B) A splendid day blooming tropic. Rich blue-purple flowers. Stamens very numerous, dark crimson. Very fragrant. **$3.50.**

Royale Purple (S EB B) This handsome lily is identical in growth and habit to that excellent variety, Panama Pacific, except that the color is a glowing royal purple. This viviparous novelty will add a note of regal splendor to your pool. Good Tub variety. **$3.50.**

Francis B. Griffith (M EB B) The darkest purple of all water lilies; is a leaf propagator. Good for Tub gardens. **$3.50.**

PINK

General Pershing (L EB B) This lily is undoubtedly the finest of the orchid-pink day-blooming Tropics. The flowers are 8 inches across and are very double. They open very early in the morning and stay open until late in the evening. Very fragrant. **$3.50.**

Chicago (M EB B) A clear pink lily, with quantities of large blossoms; having as many as 8 blossoms at one time. The leaves are profusely spotted with mahogany, making a very attractive plant. **$3.50.**

Golden West (M EB B) The beautiful peach-like flowers change in color to a lovely light apricot as the flowers mature. The green leaves are heavily speckled with maroon. Fragrant. **$3.00.**

Pink Pearl (M EB B) Exceptionally large, silvery blossoms, pink with pure white throat. Very attractive. Fragrant. **$4.00.**

RED

American Beauty (L EB B) A very choice red water lily. It possesses the same attractive combination of colors as the American Beauty rose. The flowers are 8 inches across, carried high above the water. **$4.00.**

Patricia (S EB C) A lovely rose-crimson dwarf lily. Wonderful bloomer. **$3.50.**

Evelyn Randig. See Pg. 13

Tropical Lilies (continued)

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WHITE

Mrs. Geo. Pring (L EB B) Immense white flowers, opening early and staying open until late in the afternoon. Bloom until frost comes. When given room, makes a wonderful growth, but adapts itself to a small space and blooms continuously. **$3.25.**

Isabelle Pring (M EB C) Large, pure white flowers. Very lovely lily with compact growth. **$3.75.**

BLUE

Pennsylvania (L EB B) (Blue Beauty.) A magnificent variety with rich blue flowers that are often 10 and 12 inches across. The buds are speckled with maroon, the stamens are tipped with blue. The flowers have a spicy perfume such as no other tropical has. The plant is a free and vigorous bloomer. **$3.50.**

Blue Triumph (L EB B) This is indeed a triumph as the name implies. Medium blue flowers of immense size blooming until frost comes. **$3.50.**

August Koch (L EB B) The fragrant blossoms are of good size and deep in color, the sepals a rich, deep orchid-blue shade. An outstanding lily. **$3.00.**

Col. Lindbergh (L EB A) This is enormous with wide petals of deep blue. As the name implies, the flowers tower in the air, high above the water. The leaves are large and oval, marked with brown. **$3.50.**

Wm. Stone (L EB B) This is a particularly attractive violet-blue lily. Blossoms star-shaped, yellow stamens tipped with blue. **$3.25.**

Sacred Blue Lotus of the Nile (S EB B) This is the true blue Lotus of the Nile. Very hardy. Fine bloomer. **$4.00.**

Blue Pygmaea or Colorata (S EB B) Of the tropical variety. Just right for Tub, or small pool. Deep blue and very fragrant. **$3.00.**

Mrs. Edward Whitaker (L EB B) This lily is the largest in the day blooming class, having been known to measure 14 inches across. The flowers are a lavender-blue. This lily stays open almost all day. **$3.00.**

Whitaker Gigantea (L EB B) The largest of all tropic lilies. A very delicate shade of blue; stays open almost all day. **$3.50.**

Pennsylvania, General Pershing and Director Moore. Coll. #90

Star Lilies. Blue, Red and Pink. Coll. #14

STAR LILIES

These lilies are of the Tropical lily family, but are hardier. Splendid bloomers (better bloomers than hardy lilies, but do not bloom as much as regular tropical lilies) often bearing over 100 blooms in a season. They are splendid for cut flowers, lasting for several days and filling the room with their delightful fragrance. The Star Lilies listed below are shipped as blooming plants. They have no setback as do hardy lilies and soon become mature plants blooming continuously and long after Hardy Lilies go dormant. In Southern areas they bloom until Christmas or until a frost. Three to five Star Lilies in a large tub or box will be the pride of any Water Lily enthusiast.

BLOOMING PLANTS NOT TUBERS

TWO FULL MONTHS AHEAD OF TUBERS

Blue Star (L EB B) A clear blue, with blossoms standing high above the water. Rich green leaves. **$3.25.**

Pink Star (L EB B) (Stella Gurney.) A soft pink blossom. Splendid bloomer. **$3.25.**

Rose Star (L EB B) A deep shade of rose purple and a good bloomer. **$3.25.**

Red Star (L EB B) (Mrs. Ward.) The deepest red of the Tropical Varieties. **$3.25.**

White Star (L EB B) (Mrs. Pring) Produces numbers of large fragrant white flowers with pointed petals. Petals broader at the base and more pointed at the tip. **$3.25.**

All 5 Varieties for $15.00 — Collection #17
BLUE, PINK AND RED COLLECTION #14, $8.75

True Red Star (not Mrs. Ward) A PERFECT red star. Blooms always perfect. A deeper-colored purple-red lily than the Mrs. Ward Red Star. Not in collection. **$3.50.**

Orchid Star (L EB A) A beautiful orchid star. No doubt the largest, finest, and most beautiful of all the stars. **$3.50.**

Purple Star (L EB B) A beautiful violet blue star lily with yellow stamens tipped with blue. One of the best. Fragrant. **$3.50.**

PLANTS FOR YOUR FISH

Oxygenating Grasses

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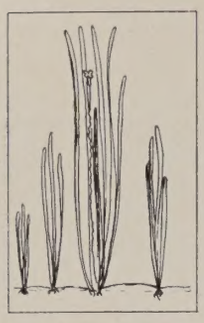


Vallisneria

These very useful plants help to keep the pool in natural balance, supplying oxygen to the water. A few bunches among the lilies are indispensable for the health of the fish.

Plant only in good soil, several plants to each pot. They keep water clear. Protect baby fish. Provide spawning places. Produce oxygen. Help balance your pool.

Anacharis

Anacharis (J) Giant. The most used for oxygen. Graceful long stems with whorls of deep green leaves. Very good for pool and necessary for health of fish. **Bunch of 5, 25¢.**

Myriophyllum (J) A pretty aquatic with fine, hair-like leaves. Makes a good spawning bed for fish. May be anchored on bottom of pool. **Bunch of 5, 25¢.**

Ludwigia

Ludwigia (J or D) This is one of the important fish plants because of its decorative value. When kept in strong light the under side of leaves become a bright red. **Bunch of 5, 25¢.**

Vallisneria (J) (Eel grass.) Long ribbon-like leaves. Pretty in an aquarium. **Bunch of 5, 35¢.**

Cabomba (J) A useful plant for the pool, growing entirely submerged. Very ornamental. **Bunch of 5, 35¢.**

Saggiteria (J) (Sinensis.) Grows freely and a splendid plant for the aquarium. **3 for 50¢.**

Parrot Feather (D) The long trailing stems produce a beautiful light green foliage, good for the ends of pools. A favorite aquatic plant, for aquarium and fountain basins. Can be used in water-tight hanging baskets. **5 for 50¢.**

Saggitaria

OXYGENATING GRASS (Fish Grass) COLLECTION #5
Suitable for Pool 4 x 8
25 Oxygenating Plants, 5 varieties.....$1.50

Primrose Creeper (D) (Jussiaea repens.) A trailing plant with bright glossy leaves and blossoms like a primrose. **25¢; 3 for 50¢.**

Azollo (O) A small, floating mosslike plant. Can become a pest. **Portion, 50¢.**

Water Hyacinth

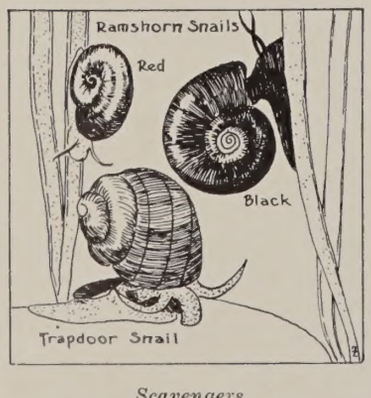
FLOATING PLANTS FOR THE POOL

Water Hyacinth (O) (Eichhornia crassipia major.) Flowers a delicate orchid, in trusses like a Hyacinth. Does best in partial shade. Splendid spawning bed for fish. Floats. NOT FOR SHIPMENT IN INTERSTATE COMMERCE. **35¢; 3 for $1.00.**

WATER LETTUCE

The PERFECT spawning plant for your fish for out-of-state customers.

Water Lettuce (O) (Shell flower.) (Pristia straitiotes.) This is similar to Water Hyacinth. Is a rosette of soft blue-green leaves. **50¢; 3 for $1.25.**



Scavengers

SCAVENGERS FOR THE POOL

(Water snails will not live out of the water)

Water snails are necessary for the pool, as they feed on the decayed vegetation, and clean up the green algae that forms on the walls. We understand that snails are both sexes in one. Snails shipped by parcel post in grasses.

Japanese trap-door snails. The largest and hardiest of all snails. These are live bearing. Very prolific. **$1.50 per dozen.**

Rams-horn snails. A very long-lived water snail and especially good in clearing up the green scum in pools. **$1.00 per dozen.**

Red Rams-horn snails. These snails are a coral red and very showy in an aquarium. **$1.50 per dozen.**

SCAVENGER COLLECTION #7
Suitable for pool 3 x 5. 12 assorted water snails.....**$1.00**

SCAVENGER COLLECTION #8
Suitable for pool 5 x 8. 36 assorted water snails.....**$2.50**

HOW WE SHIP — SEE OUR GIFTS

TERMS: We ship parcel post. Out of continental United States order must go by Airmail. Parcel post is much faster and cheaper insuring you fresher plants. Enclose check or money order with each order. Make payable to Van Ness Water Gardens. Be sure to add 10% for postage, packaging and handling. To keep our prices down we are asking you to share with us the high cost of shipping. MINIMUM PARCEL POST 50¢. MINIMUM ORDER $2.00. No C.O.D.'s. CALIFORNIA CUSTOMERS ADD 4% for SALES TAX.

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SPECIAL NOTE: Many customers request AIRMAIL shipments. If you desire especially nice plants upon arrival with NO SETBACK, add 25% for postage. We will bill the customer for any balance due us or refund any overpayment. Tropicals going over 1,000 miles should go by AIRMAIL, also snails in hot weather. Under 1,000 miles SPECIAL DELIVERY is better than AIRMAIL. SPECIAL DELIVERY is also advised for AIRMAIL shipments. Only PLANTS and SCAVENGERS will be sent by AIRMAIL. Supplies such as fertilizer, fish food, boxes, paint, etc. shipped by regular parcel post or freight ONLY. If order has both plants and supplies and you wish plants by AIRMAIL send 25% of plant order and 10% of supply order for correct postage.

FREE GIFTS: On all PLANT orders (not supplies) of $5.00 or more add 10% of YOUR CHOICE in FREE PLANTS if PLACED BEFORE MAY 1st. Will send our choice if you do not list them.

ORDER EARLY: To insure our customers the finest service possible, we plan one to two years in advance at all times. If your order is in before May 1st of each year, it helps us to operate under a planned schedule.

CODE

We have prepared this code for your convenience in SELECTION, PLANTING, and CARE of practically all items listed in our catalog.

L—Large
M—Medium
S—Small
EB—Excellent Bloomer
GB—Good Bloomer
FB—Fair Bloomer
A—Plant in 8" to 12" soil and 8" to 12" water
B—Plant in 6" to 9" soil and 6" to 9" water
C—Plant in 4" to 6" soil and 4" to 6" water
D—Plant in 2" to 4" soil and 2" to 4" water
H—Plant in 6" soil and 1" to 2" water
N—Plant in 6" soil and 5" to 6" water
I—Plant in 6" soil and 6" water
J—Plant in pots on bottom of pool, completely under water
K—Plant in wet soil outside of pool or have soil surface of box level with the water surface of pool. These plants do well in pool or out of pool but must have lots of moisture.
O—Floating plants, no planting needed
T—Tender, will burn in hot desert areas

GUARANTEE: We guarantee our plants to be true to name, of the finest quality and to reach you in good condition, and we promise to replace any plant that fails to grow. The only requirements that you notify us within 30 days of delivery and customers must send 50¢ to cover shipping charges only for each plant. LILIES ARE FRESH-DUG from OUR OWN POOLS.

PRICES: Because of our ideal Southern California climate, we can offer our customers the FINEST LILIES it is possible to raise at the LOWEST PRICES in the entire United States. One order, large or small, will convince you that you can really get the FINEST LILIES and BEST SERVICE at ROCK BOTTOM PRICES.

Hardy Lilies Shipped Any Time After February

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BEAUTIFUL MULTI-COLORED SMALL CROAKING FROGS

Multi-colored Frogs. Ornamental, likeable, and the best insect trap ever known. When we see lily pads we expect to see a frog nearby. Any size.

$1.00 per pair; $5.00 a dozen

TADPOLES

Will transform into frogs during summer. Everybody loves to watch them. Live on decaying lily leaves and fish excrement. Help keep pool clear. **5 for $1.00.**

Bull Frog Tadpoles, 3 for $1.00
Mature bullfrogs, $7.50 pr.

TADPOLES AND FROGS MAY go by PARCEL POST but over 500 miles should go AIRMAIL—Special Delivery.

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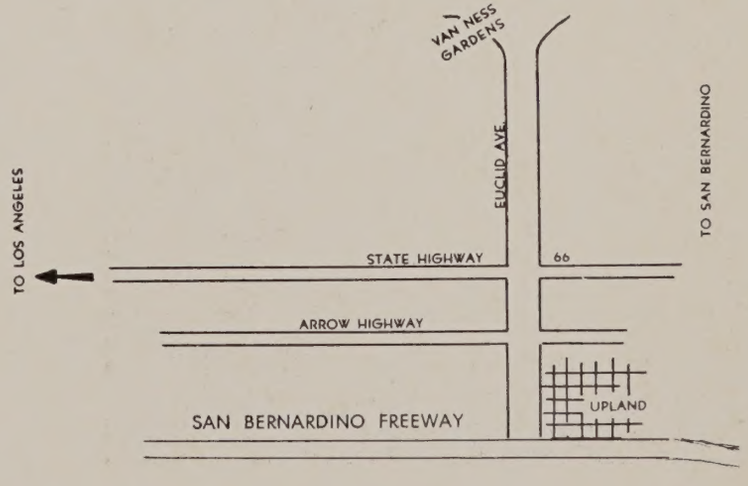

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Panama Pacific — See Pg. 16

Tropical Lily Collections

Shipped After May 15th

CHOICE COLLECTION
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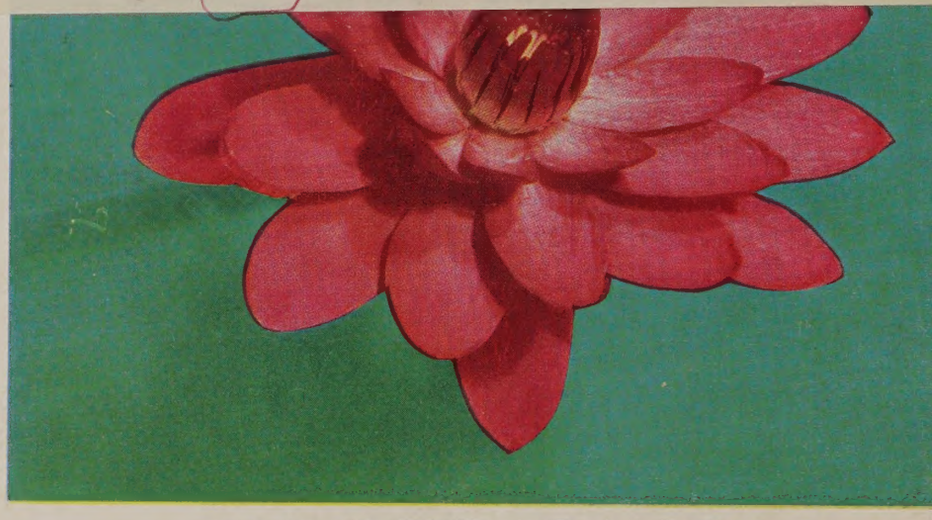
Pennsylvania — Missouri
Hitchcock — Independence

Value, $13.25—**for $11.95**

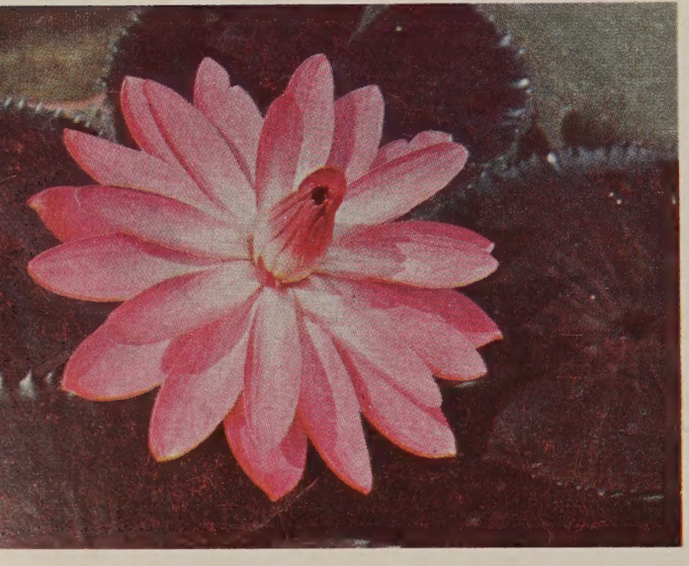
DAY AND NIGHT COLLECTION
#16

Panama Pacific — Mrs. Pring
Whitaker — Haarstick

Value, $12.25—**for $10.95**



H. C. Haarstick, Night Blooming Tropic — See Pg. 6



Red Flare — See Pg. 13

ORCHID AND BLUE COLLECTION
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Pennsylvania — General Pershing — Director Moore

Value, $10.50—**for $9.95**

ROSE & PURPLE STAR COLLECTION
#41

Value, $6.75—**for $6.25**

MARTIN E. RANDIG COLLECTION
#91

Mrs. Martin E. Randig — Evelyn Randig
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Value $15.00—**for $13.95**

NEWEST LILIES COLLECTION
#88

Eldorado — Enchantment

Value $10.00—**for $9.50**